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	The following information was contained in an address given by Chefinspekteur Hans von Woech, chief of Hauptabteilung Intendantur, RV für Ausbildung.
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1. Effective 1 January 1950 the HVA has been allocated its own supply quota (eigener Kontingentträger). It no longer shares in the allocations of the DVdI (German Administration of the Interior). In practical terms the HV now does its own planning and its own contracting with textile, light metal and other firms.
2. Under the new system the allocated quota is carried in the name of the HVA with the schools sharing in that allocation.
3. Non-ferrous metals and cement are in short supply. All Objekte have been requested to start a non-ferrous metal collection drive in their areas. Cement deliveries will be forthcoming in the near future.
4. All building projects are being centrally controlled by the HVA. Housing facilities and administrative buildings have to be completed first. Next are training buildings and first aid stations. Garages are to be constructed in the most simple form; then armories and workshops can be constructed. We cannot afford large club rooms.
5. There is a bottleneck in the manufacture of shoes. Within a fortnight or three weeks changes can be expected.
6. Within the coming three weeks all students will possess two sets of uniforms. The initial issue consists of 1 uniform jacket, 1 pair of trousers, 1 hat, 1 pair of shoes. The second pair of shoes will be issued in the spring. Within the near future the cloth for uniforms will be improved, the wool content of the new cloth being between 70 and 80%.
7. At present, considerable difficulties are being encountered in determining the legal status of real estate taken over by the HVA. There are some Objekte which formerly were Army barracks. Others are publicly owned, and still others privately owned. For the latter the HVA has to pay rent. Efforts are at present being

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made to determine into which of the above categories a given Objekt falls, on the basis of which negotiations with the Ministry of the Interior will be initiated with a view to having those properties publicly registered in the name of the Volkspolizei.

8. The gasoline supply situation is, as heretofore, tense. Only half of the quantity applied for has been authorized. The allocation of tires has improved. The HVA has a considerable number of tires for trucks and passenger cars in storage, but the truck supply situation is very serious. An improvement, however, can be expected during the month of February. Only travel that is absolutely necessary should be undertaken, since a larger supply of gasoline cannot be issued.
9. In matters of food supply there have been certain changes effective 1 January 1950. Formerly the schools received food delivery authorizations from the Land governments. Today this authorization is issued by the HVA. The accounting is done through so-called Verpflegungsleitstellen (central supply control points).
10. The Intendant (quartermaster) of a school cannot be compared with the old Army paymaster. In that sense the HVA has no paymasters. The Intendant is part of the school command, his designation being that of Stellvertreter für Intendanturwesen. As such he is a responsible officer of the Volkspolizei and enjoys all the prerogatives of a deputy commandant. A school commandant requesting unauthorized expenditures of the Intendant commits a punishable offense, because the budget is law.

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